SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 60

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to commend Bob Cable of Carter County for his honorable and patriotic service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable individuals who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bob Cable is one such admirable and dedicated professional who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cable, a highly respected member of the Elizabethton community, has brought joy, happiness, and an enduring sense of patriotism to all of Carter County through his successful effort to renew the annual Fourth of July Parade in downtown Elizabethton after a thirty year dormancy; and

WHEREAS, the owner and operator of Ledford's Furniture and Upholstery, Mr. Cable brought his attention to detail and professionalism to his role as the parade organizer, and whereas, the Fourth of July parade saw thousands of men, women, and children line the streets of downtown Elizabethton to watch as the parade traveled from Lynn Avenue to the Veterans Monument on Main Street; and

WHEREAS, the crowds were deeply moved when the parade stopped at the Elizabethton-Carter County Veterans War Memorial, as bag pipes played a tribute to Carter County's fallen military heroes; and

WHEREAS, a true American patriot, Bob Cable's efforts over the years have included him personally purchasing and maintaining, at his own expense, numerous American flags for display at public events such as the Veterans Day Observance at the Veterans War Memorial and the dedication of the Historic Training Display at the Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, visitors and residents of Elizabethton alike thrill at the sight of a very large American flag, purchased by Mr. Cable, that is flown at the intersection of Broad Street and Elk Avenue, welcoming passersby as they enter the main thoroughfare leading to downtown Elizabethton; and

WHEREAS, Bob Cable has served as chairman of the annual Christmas Parade and as an active member of the Downtown Merchants Association, playing a leadership role in such events as the downtown Christmas Lights projects, the Lighting of the Frazier Fur, the Chipping of the Green, and Covered Bridge Days; and

WHEREAS, his remarkable success is directly attributable to his reliance on the timehonored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Bob Cable is an extremely gifted person who has helped to make Elizabethton a thriving community and a model of excellence and efficiency, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cable is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Bob Cable for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Elizabethton and Carter County. We thank him for his continuing efforts to promote patriotism and his unswerving dedication to his fellow Tennesseans and extend to him our best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

- 2 - 00116913